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# Southern Region News Release Chicken and Eggs



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### **September Egg Production Down 8 Percent**

United States egg production totaled 7.49 billion during September 2015, down 8 percent from last year. Production included 6.40 billion table eggs, and 1.10 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.02 billion were broiler-type and 78 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during September 2015 averaged 333 million, down 8 percent from last year. September egg production per 100 layers was 2,249 eggs, down 1 percent from September 2014.

All layers in the United States on October 1, 2015 totaled 334 million, down 8 percent from last year. The 334 million layers consisted of 277 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 54.3 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 3.27 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on October 1, 2015, averaged 74.6 eggs per 100 layers, down 1 percent from October 1, 2014.

#### Egg Production by Type — States and United States: September 2014 and 2015

	Total production			Table eggs			Hatching eggs		
State	2014	2015	Percent of previous year	2014	2015	Percent of previous year	2014	2015	Percent of previous year
	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(percent)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(percent)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(percent)
Alabama	176	189	107	36	40	111	140	149	106
Florida	190	196	103	185	191	103	5	5	100
Georgia	384	398	104	220	228	104	164	170	104
South Carolina	88	95	108	68	72	106	20	23	115
United States	8,186	7,494	92	7,126	6,396	90	1,060	1,098	104

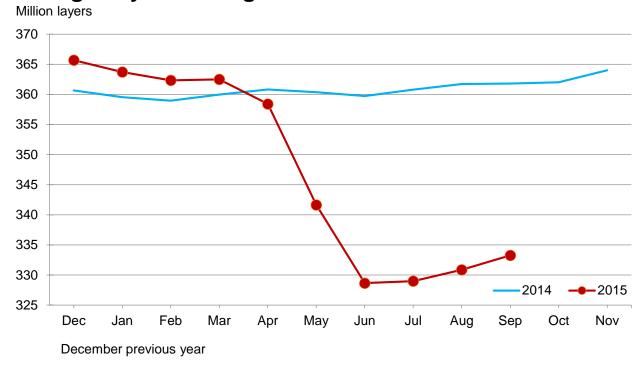
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#### Layers on Hand and Eggs Produced — States and United States: During September 2014 and 2015

State	Total egg layers in flocks 30,000 and above			All layers			Eggs per 100 for all layers		
	2014	2015	Percent of previous year	2014	2015	Percent of previous year	2014	2015	Percent of previous year
	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(percent)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(percent)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(percent)
Alabama Florida	1,508 8,191	1,542 8,557	102 104	9,147 8,586	9,750 8,965	106 104	1,924 2,213	1,938 2,186	100 99
Georgia South Carolina	9,550 2,996	9,872 2,960	103 99	18,151 4,214	18,692 4,212	103 100	2,116 2,088	2,129 2,255	101 108
United States	298,019	267,498	90	361,813	333,268	92	2,262	2,249	99

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## **Average Layers During the Month — United States**



## All Egg Production During the Month — United States

